



PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicants: Ake Holm
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Title: Means for Splash Separation on Paper Machines

Hon. Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Attn: Eric J. Hug

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 29, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 13 as illustrated in the copy of the claims which is attached hereto.

REMARKS

Claims 13, 14 and 20-23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claim 13 has been amended to provide the proper antecedent basis of the terms mentioned in the office action.

Claims 11, 12 and 15-19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 3,470,064 to Schwerdt in view of U.S. Patent No.